

IT'S funny how a man will insure himself and home against death and fire and then fight preparedness when his country is involved.

HOME EDITION

WAPORATED FAMILIES SEND CRY FOR HELP

Flood Bound Group of 250 Stare Death in Face.

Will Be Swept Away in Four Hours Unless Saved.

NEED \$150,000 FOR REFUGEES

3,000 San Diego Flood Sufferers Without Shelter.

Arkansas River, Highest in 12 Years, Still Rising.

KANSAS RIVERS FLOOD STAGE Soldiers and Sailors Gather Up Dead in California.

Military Rules Are Enforced Against Ruthless Looting.

Little Rock, Jan. 31.—Fifty families, approximately 250 men, women and children are hovering behind the Arkansas river levee at Red Fox between Little Rock and Pine Bluff, and unless they are rescued within four hours they probably will be drowned, according to word received at 2 o'clock today by the board of commerce here from a planter named McNeil. The board of commerce is endeavoring to obtain a steamer to send to Red Fox.

Four hundred and twenty acres of the finest plantation land in the state is under water according to courier dispatches here at noon today. Hundreds of negroes, "white boys" and "pers" have fled to points of safety. County Judge Joe Asher, at noon, wired the war department at Washington for permission to use government dredgeboats for relief.

About 75 convicts on the Pulaski county convict farm are completely surrounded by water. The county court ordered six boats built today to take the men to points of safety and to assist other relief work.

Without Food or Shelter. San Diego, Jan. 31.—One hundred thousand dollars is the amount required for immediate relief of flood sufferers in the Otay and San Luis Rey and Tijuana valleys. It was announced here today. All floods are reported subsiding. The Mexicana, Cuyamaca and Sweetwater dams are reported holding.

Kansas City, Jan. 31.—Four states of the southwest today faced heavy property loss and interruption of traffic due to the continuing rain which has produced threatening rises in many streams. The most serious situation was in California, where the White and Arkansas rivers empty into the Mississippi. Missouri rivers were approaching flood stage, while in eastern Kansas and northeastern Oklahoma the rising streams, rain and sleet, have wrecked telegraph and telephone lines and thrown railroad schedules into disorder.

The most serious situation in the history of Arkansas floods is said to be impending in the valleys of that state which are being inundated by floods in every creek and river, the Arkansas at Fort Smith, near the Oklahoma border, was more than ten feet above flood stage last night with a prospect of another 18 inch rise.

CAN'T BLOCKADE! CAN'T STOP SLAVS

Impossible for England to Cut Us Off, Says German.

Only Effect Would Be Neutrals; Teutons Prepared.

BY CARL W. ACKERMAN. Berlin, Jan. 31.—An effective blockade of Germany is impossible, Admiral Von Holtzendorff, chief of the German admiralty staff, declared today in an exclusive statement to the United Press. England, he said, could under no circumstances stop commerce in the Baltic between Sweden and Denmark and Germany. For weeks he pointed out, no British submarine has had success in the Baltic. The Russian fleet is frozen in Russian harbors. The only effect of a declaration of blockade by the allies, the chief of the admiralty said, would be upon neutrals and upon the women and children of Germany. The German government is prepared for any action by Great Britain.

MOTHER'S PLEA STRONGER THAN BARS OF PRISON

Leavenworth, Jan. 31.—Upon the plea of his mother who is reported dying at Leavenworth, George Rents was permitted to leave the United States prison today to go to his parent's bedside. Rents is under sentence for using the mails to defraud.

The Topeka State Journal

TOPEKA, KANSAS, MONDAY EVENING, JANUARY 31, 1916—TWELVE PAGES

WEATHER forecast for Kansas: Generally fair tonight and Tuesday; colder tonight.

THIS EDITION 2 CENTS

Puts a Ban on Shoutin' Amen in U. S. Forum

Washington, Jan. 31.—"Amen" will be heard no longer from "Cyclone" Davis, representative from Texas. Congressman Baker, in the chair, has decided that Congressman Davis has interrupted enough speeches with an "amen," which he shouted with a camp meeting fervor, and that the distinguished representative from Texas may think "amen" hereafter, but must refrain from expressing it.

SNOW IS GENERAL

Nearly All Kansas Covered to Depth of 1 to 3 Inches.

The Weather Man Believes Storm Is About Over.

FAIR AND COLDER TONIGHT

Fruit Crop in Danger and Wheat Already Damaged.

Railroad Trains Are Moving With Little Hindrance.

Snow was falling this morning in most parts of the state, the heaviest being in the southwestern part of Kansas. Temperatures are now in most places and a drop is expected tonight. Wire and rail service was practically uninterrupted by the snow, although the ice still covers the wires and in case of high winds there will be trouble for telephone and telegraph companies. Conditions over the state are not improved and colder weather is coming. Clearing skies are expected in most parts of the state. The fruit crop is in danger in the event of much colder weather, and the wheat is thought to be damaged by the heavy coating of ice and snow on the ground. Small game and birds are reported dying of starvation in some localities because of the impossibility of obtaining food.

Temperatures today averaged 15 degrees below normal. The lowest reading for the day was 5 degrees at 9:30 o'clock this morning. Following are hourly temperature readings for today: 7 o'clock - 8 11 o'clock - 8 9 o'clock - 6 12 o'clock - 5 8 o'clock - 7 1 o'clock - 11 9 o'clock - 7 3 o'clock - 12 Zero weather is expected here tonight, according to the shipper's forecast. The prediction is for temperatures of zero or slightly below for 36-hour periods in all directions. Snow fell part of last night and this (Continued on Page 2.)

IS IT ALL BLUFF?

Will America "Call" Germany in Submarine Crisis?

Demands Not Unreasonable and Concession Is Adequate.

London, Jan. 31.—The Manchester Guardian in editorial comment on the answer of the United States to the German and German regarding submarine warfare, says:

"What Germany will do will depend upon the answer which America's next step will be if she refuses. As for the allies, it will be observed that they are asked to make concessions and to send their merchantmen to sea without guns and rely on German promises to observe certain rules. The French have been making for themselves not unreasonable if only there is some guarantee that they will be kept. Will America supply that guarantee? If she does, there is no doubt what the answer of the allies will be."

TURKS FLEE BEFORE RUSSIAN DRIVE IN CAUCASUS.

British Casualties During January, 20,000 Men.

Paris, Jan. 31.—News has been received in diplomatic circles at Athens, the Balkan agency's correspondent there telegraphs, that Russians have inflicted a fresh defeat on the Turks in the Caucasus. The correspondent reiterates the report that the Russians have surrounded Erzerum. Turkish authorities and bankers, he says, left the city yesterday afternoon at the last moment, barely escaping capture by Cossacks. Russian artillery has been in bombardment of the city. The correspondent adds that the Turks are hastily fortifying Algora and Sivas, capitals of the Vilayets of these names situated 215 and 425 miles east of Constantinople.

London, Jan. 31.—British casualties published during the month of January totaled 20,000 officers and 19,624 men. Paris, Jan. 31.—German forces last night delivered two attacks with hand grenades near Hill No. 149, both of which resulted in failure, according to the French official announcement given out this afternoon. Berlin, Jan. 31.—The Italians have landed another infantry division and several batteries of heavy artillery at Avlona, in southern Albania, according to Vienna dispatches today. Berlin, Jan. 31.—(via London).—The French have been making repeated attempts to regain the ground recently lost by them near Neuville, army headquarters announced today, but all their attacks have been beaten off. The Germans still holding their newly won trenches.

PARADE PLANS IN "COP" CROP IS SHY FOR IRISH STAY AT HOME

Executive and Parade Committees Hold a Joint Meeting.

Fifteen Cars Reserved for the President's Party Alone.

UP FIFTH ST. FROM SANTA FE

Little Change in Original Arrangements for Pageant.

Doors of Auditorium Will Be Opened at 12 O'clock.

Complete plans for the monstrous parade and entertainment here on Wednesday for President Wilson and his party were completed at noon today, at the Commercial club, at a joint meeting of the parade committee and executive committee in charge of entertainment. Nothing will change the arrangements made today excepting inclement weather or some unforeseen accident.

The big Auditorium will be thrown open at 12 o'clock Wednesday, at which time the work of decorating in charge of C. A. Moore will be completed. The president will speak at 1 o'clock. Franklyn Howe of Kansas City and Miss Margaret Goelke of Topeka, together with Marshall's band, will furnish music. Mr. Hunt will sing "If I Were King," while Miss Goelke has announced that her song will be "Let Us Have Peace." The two soloists will also sing at the high school auditorium to the overflow crowd.

For Oldest Democrat. Doors of the high school auditorium will be thrown open at 1 o'clock. An entertainment will be given by high school students and the soloists until the parade begins at 1 o'clock. An arm chair will be placed on the platform at the high school auditorium for the president. Mr. Hunt will sing "If I Were King," while Miss Goelke has announced that her song will be "Let Us Have Peace." The two soloists will also sing at the high school auditorium to the overflow crowd.

Little change has been made in the order of the parade on account of the change from Santa Fe to the Commercial club. The parade will move west on Fifth street to Kansas avenue, led by the Second Regiment. Members of the committee will be: Roy Schmidt, Fairview; W. C. Lansdon, Salina, secretary; C. E. Blasted, Logan; John Tromble, Beloit; James Reardon, Ellsworth; and Mr. Tife, Salina. At 10 o'clock tomorrow morning the jobbing association will convene at the Commercial club. Following is the line of march outlined at noon by Herbert J. Corwine, marshal of the day:

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FARMERS IN TOWN

Educational and Co-operative Union Meeting Wednesday.

Plans Made to Increase Capital Stock to \$60,000.

DIRECTORS TO MEET TONIGHT

Jobbing Association to Convene at Commercial Club.

Main Convention Will Assemble in the City Auditorium.

The capital stock of the Jobbing association of the Kansas branch of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative union will be increased from \$20,000 to \$60,000 at a meeting of the board of directors to be held at the Troop hotel this evening. Such was the statement made this morning by M. McAuliffe, president of the union and a member of the association.

"We would increase the stock still more," said Mr. McAuliffe, "but that is the limit permitted by law."

In addition to arriving at a definite decision relative to an increase of capital stock, the directors will prepare a program for tomorrow's meeting of the association, which precedes the big annual meeting of the Farmers' union which opens at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning. Members of the board of directors of the Jobbing association are: Roy Schmidt, Fairview; W. C. Lansdon, Salina, secretary; C. E. Blasted, Logan; John Tromble, Beloit; James Reardon, Ellsworth; and Mr. Tife, Salina.

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Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 31.—Officials of the Farmers' Deposit Savings bank on which a run was started Saturday and continued until the bank closed at 12 o'clock at night, announced today that persons responsible for the less rumors concerning the bank's condition would be prosecuted. The law covering such cases provides a minimum penalty of \$5,000 fine and five years imprisonment.

WILSON GIVES LE TO ENEMY OF HIS POLICY

Denies Flatly Chief Argument Against Preparedness.

Did Not Emanate From Makers of War Supplies.

ADVOCATES GOV'T FACTORIES

Speaks in Milwaukee Today; Chicago Tonight.

2,000 School Children Greet Train at Waukegan.

An audience of 9,000 persons filled the auditorium when the president began to make his Milwaukee speech this afternoon. The police estimated that 5,000 persons had been turned away. Mrs. Wilson occupied a box near the stage with Dr. Grayson. She wore a magnificent bouquet of orchids.

"I want at the outset to remove any misapprehensions in your mind," said the president, "there is no crisis; nothing new has happened. I came to confer with you on a matter which we should consider solemnly. We should be in order. When all the world is on fire the sparks fly everywhere."

"America has drawn her blood and her energy out of almost all the nations of the world," he said. "We know that our roots and our traditions run into other soils. We cannot forget our forebears."

"At the outset of the war it did look as if there were a division of opinion," said the president, "but it led us into some error of judgment. I for one believe that danger is past."

"The very uncalculated course of affairs may touch us to the quick at any time. Standing in the face of the difficulties I want you to know I am in difficulty. The president said he would not let the people wait him to keep the nation out of war. There was prolonged applause.

"I pledge you," he continued solemnly, "that God helping, I will keep it out of war."

Milwaukee, Jan. 31.—President Wilson threw down the gauntlet today to opponents of national preparedness who have declared that the movement sprang from the desire of munition and armament manufacturers to make money.

"There are some things that are being said that I hope you will not believe," the president declared. "It is being said among other things that this agitation for preparedness for national defense comes chiefly from those who are interested in supplying the government with the munitions of war and from those who are interested in supplying it with armament."

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ACTRESS INSURES HER HAIR FOR \$50,000



New York, Jan. 31.—An ounce of hair is worth a fortune. At least, that is what Adele Blood thinks. She has the most expensive tresses in the world. Recently she had her hair insured for \$50,000 in the crematory in which she is required to turn her back to the furnace. The draught drew a strand of her tresses into the glowing opening. Had it not been for the quick wit of Harrington Morse, one of the superiors in the play, it is horrible to contemplate the fate of Miss Blood.

CAN'T FIND K-5 PROBE IS INSERTED

Worst Is Feared for U. S. Submarine Long Missing.

Disappears in Flotilla on Way to Maneuvers.

CREW OF EIGHT MAY BE LOST

Naval and Coast Guard Crafts in Frantic Search.

Get No Wireless Response for 36 Hours From "U" Boat.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 31.—Naval vessels continued to search the Carolina coast today for the United States submarine K-5, reported missing since 1 o'clock Sunday morning but according to information available here their efforts had been futile. The submersible had not responded to wireless calls sent out from shore stations and naval vessels and this led marine men to express fears that the boat had suffered at least an accident to her wireless apparatus. A heavy fog hung over the coast between here and Cape Roman, 40 miles north of here, where the K-5 was last sighted and this made more difficult the task of the searchers.

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WOULD OPEN HERE Sells-Floto Show Wants to Start From Topeka. Applies to Commission for Remission of License Fee.

The Sells-Floto circus wants to start its season in Topeka this spring and wants to bring the performers together here but the city commission could see no excuse in that for permitting the circus people to show without the payment of the usual five dollars per car and this license representative of the circus company visited each member of the commission this morning and the matter was brought up before the commission at its meeting. But there was nothing doing. The commission refused to violate one of its own ordinances.

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BANDITS MURDER BEAT UP FAMILY

Auto Party Attacked by Highwaymen Near City.

Mother and Son Slain, Two Others Slugged.

PROMINENT BUFFALO CITIZENS

Stop Auto for Repairs When Bandits Appear.

Rob Prostrate Victims and Make Good Escape.

Buffalo, Jan. 31.—Two persons were murdered, another probably fatally injured and a fourth severely beaten up in an automobile holdup at the Orchard Park road near this city early today. Several hours elapsed before the city and county authorities were informed of the crime and the assailants made their escape. The victims, prominent Buffalo residents and members of the same family, were:

Mrs. AGNES TEIPER, age 67, widow of Conrad Teiper, shot in head and instantly killed. FREDERICK TEIPER, son, beaten to death with blunt instrument. GRACE TEIPER, daughter, skull fractured and stopped a short distance from the terminal railroad crossing. There the party was set upon by the holdup men. Mrs. Teiper was killed by the first of four shots fired. The men then clubbed the others, and after robbing them of money and jewelry, fled. A farmer living nearby heard the shots and the cries of the women and gave the alarm.

Negro 1st Attack. Police and deputy sheriffs are searching for a negro who is believed to have been leader in the crime. EDWARD TEIPER, son, skull fractured and stopped a short distance from the terminal railroad crossing. There the party was set upon by the holdup men. Mrs. Teiper was killed by the first of four shots fired. The men then clubbed the others, and after robbing them of money and jewelry, fled. A farmer living nearby heard the shots and the cries of the women and gave the alarm.

County Bar Association Takes Up the Bolinger Case. Mrs. Roy W. Kline Dismisses Her Suit for Divorce.

TELL HIS SIDE OF THE CASE Lawyer May Be Invited to Speak in His Own Defense.

Local Sensational Case Promises More Thrills.

Allegations made against Arthur J. Bolinger, the Topeka attorney, in the answer of Roy W. Kline to his wife's divorce suit in the district court wherein Kline charges that Bolinger alienated his wife's affections, were put under the glass by the Topeka Bar association today. With Captain Clad Hamilton, chairman of the association's grievance committee presiding, a committee meeting was held today at Captain Hamilton's offices in the New England building after being behind closed doors for an hour and a half it was announced by the committee that no action had been taken.

Invite Bolinger to Appear. It was stated that another meeting will be held as soon as possible, probably the first part of next week. At the next meeting Mr. Bolinger will be invited to appear and tell his side of the case. Attorneys who were at the meeting today were: D. D. Mote, Captain Hamilton, A. A. Godard and J. H. H. H.

The sensational charges against Bolinger were filed Saturday by Kline in answer to a suit for divorce brought by Mrs. Kline as attorney days ago through Bolinger as attorney. Kline's answer did not ask for a divorce. He did, however, Bolinger's alleged actions be probed by the court and that the supreme court be memorialized with a view of securing disbarment of the lawyer.

Dismiss Divorce Suit. An hour or so after the answer in the case charging trips to Kansas City, auto rides, visits to cabarets and theaters on the part of Mrs. Kline and the attorney was filed Mrs. Kline through Bolinger as her attorney dismissed her suit for divorce.

Watchful Waiting. Referring to "watchful waiting" in Mexico, Roosevelt read a report of the most recent examination of the twenty-four cases which were explained by the document had reached him after the speech was written.

Again Roosevelt departed from his mansion in Chicago was explained by a "word on the personal side." He said: "For this was a war. But I say to you now that I'd rather they would go and were in their graves than flinch in doing their duty at the nation's call."

SLAIN RANCHER BRITISH. Keane, Mex. Bandit Victim, Carried Passport From British Consul.

El Paso, Jan. 31.—Word that Peter Keane, slain recently at the Heart's Eddy, was a British subject, was sent to the British embassy at Washington, by H. C. Miles, diplomatic agent here. A search of Keane's papers revealed a passport issued by C. H. Maxwell Traylor, British consul at Guatemala City, in 1900.

WILL ADD 1,000 MEN TO PULLMAN CO. FORCE. Chicago, Jan. 31.—The Pullman car works will add 1,000 former employees February 1. This will raise the number of employees to more than 5,000. The inability to obtain material recently related activity. The company has been on hand \$8,000,000 worth of orders.

Chihuahua, Jan. 31.—Francisco Villa, according to reports received here today, had been driven out of the Pichicho hills and San Juan Chican and is now surrounded by Carranza forces near El Valle.